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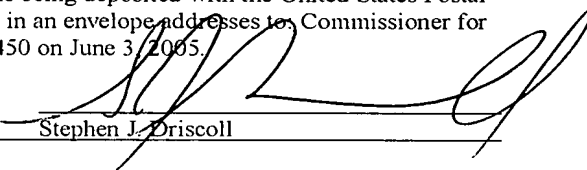
Title: METHOD AND MECHANISM FOR
TUNING DIELECTRIC RESONATOR
CIRCUITS

Art Group: 2817

Examiner: Ham, Suengsook

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED MAY 3, 2005

Dear Sir:

This reply is being filed timely in response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 3, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, any deficiencies that may arise, and to credit any overpayment which may be owed to Applicant in connection with this action and application in general to Deposit Account No. 19-5425.

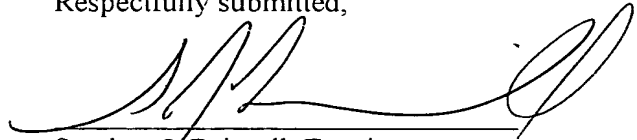
Election of Species

The Examiner found that the claims were directed to eight patentably distinct species (Species I-VIII), and requested applicants to make an election under 35 USC §121.

Without acknowledging the merit of this restriction, Applicants hereby elect Species III, which is shown in Figures 6 and 7, and related to "a dielectric resonator circuit having a plurality of dielectric resonators being overlap each other in a vertical plane and vertically adjustable relative o each other" as characterized by the Examiner.

Applicants submit that claims 1-4, 8-10, and 31 read on to Species III.

Respectfully submitted,



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